



Amendments to the Claims:

1. (canceled)

2. (currently amended) A backwash brush kit comprising: a telescoping handle [means] movable between a fully extended position and a collapsed position; means for maintaining the handle [means] in the fully extended position and in the collapsed position; [brush means] a brush releasably secured to one end of the handle [means] having a base member and a wash pad releasably secured to the base member, the wash pad including a backing and a wash material supported by the backing suitable to receive a washing substance and frictionally apply it to the back of a user; and a brush carrier of a size to receive and enclose the handle [means] and the brush [means] when the handle [means] is in the collapsed position wherein the brush carrier has a releasably securable closing flap to prevent the handle [means] and brush [means] from being removed from the brush carrier when the closing flap is in the secured condition.

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3. (currently amended) The kit as claimed in claim [1] 2 wherein the brush [means] includes a threaded detent, and the handle [means] one end has an interior threaded recess, the detent being threadably engageable with the threaded recess to join the brush [means] to the handle [means].

4. (canceled)

5. (original) The kit as claimed in claim [1] 2 wherein the wash pad is a plurality of bristles.

6. (canceled)

7. (original) The kit as claimed in claim [1] 2 wherein the wash pad is a fine mesh material.

8. (currently amended) The kit as claimed in claim [2] 7 wherein the brush [means] includes a threaded detent, and the handle [means] one end has an interior threaded recess, the detent threadably engageable with the threaded recess to join the brush [means] to the handle [means].

9. (currently amended) The kit as claimed in claim 8 wherein the wash pad backing is releasably secured to the wash pad base member by hook and loop elements.

10. (original) The kit as claimed in claim 9 wherein the wash pad is a plurality of bristles.

11. (original) The kit as claimed in claim 9 wherein the wash pad is a foliate material.

**12. (original) The kit as claimed in claim 9 wherein the wash pad is
a fine mesh material.**

13. (canceled)

14. (canceled)

[14.] 15. (currently amended) The brush kit as claimed in claim [12] 5 wherein the wash pad backing is releasably secured to the wash pad base member by hook and loop elements:

[15.] 16. (currently amended) The brush kit as claimed in claim [12] 3 wherein the wash pad is a plurality of bristles.

[16.] 17. (currently amended) The brush kit as claimed in claim [12] 3 wherein the wash pad is foliate material.

18. (canceled)

[18.] 19. (currently amended) The brush kit as claimed in claim [13] 15 wherein the brush [means] includes a threaded detent, and the handle [means] one end has an interior threaded recess, the detent threadably engageable with the threaded recess to join the brush [means] to the handle [means].

[19.] 20. (currently amended) The brush kit as claimed in claim [18] 5
wherein the wash pad backing is releasably secured to the wash pad base member
by hook and loop elements.

[20] 21. (currently amended) The brush kit as claimed in claim [19] 3
wherein the wash pad is a plurality of bristles.

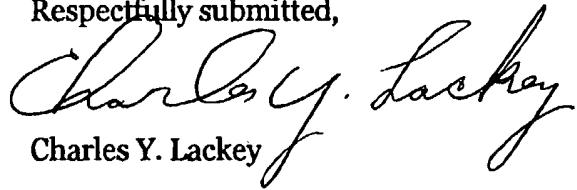
[21.] 22. (currently amended) The brush kit as claimed in claim [19] 3
wherein the wash pad is a foliate material.

23. (canceled)



It is believed that the claims are now in the form required by the Examiner, and a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested. Kindly contact the undersigned at (336) 659-8249 if there are questions or other materials or information are needed.

Respectfully submitted,



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